

YOUTH SERVICES NOTES

Week of May 18, 2015

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Caroline Library, Inc.

Earth Day Celebration at Fort A.P. Hill

Fort A.P. Hill coordinates an **annual Earth Day celebration** that brings over 800 middle school children, parents, and teachers to the installation to learn more about the environment, military care of the flora and fauna, and various programs of state and federal government partner agencies, as well as non-governmental organizations.

Caroline Library totally rocked the event. Kaitlyn, one of our Library Assistant II's, and I manned our recycling table where kids could either make potato jewelry or seed pots out of K Cups. It was a fantastic success and about 420 kids came through our table. It was magnificent.

Of course we wore this year's summer reading T-shirts.
Maureen Dorosinski, Director



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Norfolk Public Library—Little Creek Branch

Early Literacy Display

Our summer-themed early literacy display was created by myself and Klaira Strickland.

— *Tennille Cyphers*



Blue Ridge Regional Library

STEM Bag Activities at Woolwine Elementary School

Jodi Barnes, Teacher; Dee Owens, Principal



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- ◇ **Maureen Dorosinski**, Caroline Library, Inc.
- ◇ **Tennille Cyphers**, Norfolk Public Library
- ◇ **JoAnn Wells**, Virginia Department of Health
- ◇ **NASA**, Lunar and Planetary Institute



Dates to Remember

Virginia Conferences

October 21-23, 2015..... Virginia Library Association Annual Conference..... Richmond

National Conferences

June 25-30, 2015..... American Library Association Annual Conference..... San Francisco

November 6-8, 2015..... YALSA'S 2015 Young Adult Symposium..... Portland

April 5-9, 2016..... Public Library Association 2016 Conference..... Denver

June 23-28, 2016..... American Library Association Annual Conference..... Orlando

September 15-17, 2016..... ALSC National Institute 2016..... Charlotte

Webinars

May 19, 2015 at 11:00 a.m..... Study on the Impact of Summer Reading Programs in Virginia..... online

May 20, 2015 at 2:00 p.m..... Study on the Impact of Summer Reading Programs in Virginia..... online

Workshops / Early Literacy Activity Center (ELAC) Exchanges

September 9-10, 2015..... Library of Virginia Fall Youth Services Workshop..... Richmond

From the desk of Sandra Treadway

Public Libraries Invited to Participate in the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative

Good afternoon, everyone. I am writing to share with you some information about a newly announced [Virginia Shakespeare Initiative](#), commemorating the 400th anniversary of the great bard's death coming up in April 2016.

William Shakespeare has always belonged to Virginia. Our Commonwealth is named for Elizabeth, the Virgin Queen, who ruled for most of Shakespeare's life. The wreck of a ship on its way to Virginia inspired *The Tempest*. And in 1751, the London Company of Comedians presented one of the very first professional productions of Shakespeare in the Americas—in Williamsburg.

In order to honor, to celebrate, and—most of all—to enjoy Shakespeare in anticipation of the 400th anniversary of his death, the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities, the Virginia Commission for the Arts, and a number of other statewide organizations (including the Virginia Library Association) are partnering to sponsor the *Virginia Shakespeare Initiative* (VSI). The goal of the *Virginia Shakespeare Initiative* is to inspire and promote programs among Virginia educational and cultural institutions, to collect information about events connected to the initiative that are planned across the state, and to publicize those events through a variety of media, including the new *Shakespeare Calendar* that will be hosted by the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities.

I have been asked to share the announcement of this initiative with all public libraries in the state and to invite your participation by developing events in your communities to explore and commemorate Shakespeare's genius and impact.

The **attached announcement** should have all the information that you need, but feel free to contact **Maggie Guggenheimer** at the VFH at mguggenheimer@virginia.edu or 434-924-6562 should you have any questions.

All the best, Sandy

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Virginia Shakespeare Initiative Partners

Library of Virginia
 Regional arts councils: CultureWorks, Piedmont Council for the Arts
 State Council of Higher Education for Virginia
 Virginia Office of the Secretary of Education
 Virginia Department of Education
 Virginia Association of Independent Schools
 Virginia Association of Museums
 Virginia Community Colleges Association
 Virginia Council for Private Education
 Virginia Center for the Book
 Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges
 Virginia Library Association
 Virginia Theatre Association
 Virginia Tourism Corporation
 Virginians for the Arts
 Virginia Community College System



Planning Committee:

American Shakespeare Center
 Virginia Commission for the Arts
 Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
 Washington and Lee University



Virginia Department of Health

Home Safety Awareness Month Takes Place in June

Attached is an information sheet for Home Safety Awareness Month.

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**“A library is thought
 in cold storage.”**
 ~ Herbert Samuel ~

**“A library should be like
 a pair of open arms.”**
 ~ Roger Rosenblatt ~



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STEM Activities at Woolwine Elementary School

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— Submitted by Cecil Holland



Lunar and Planetary Institute

Pluto: Timeline of New Horizon Events on NASA TV

What were you doing on July 14, 2015?

This may seem like a random, future date, but if someone asks you this question ten years from now, you can tell them you were waiting for the first-ever close-up pictures of Pluto! **On July 14th, the New Horizons spacecraft will make its historic encounter with Pluto and its moons, taking images and relaying them back to Earth.**

The first images will be released on July 15th. Coincidentally, July 14th also marks the 50th anniversary of the first fly-by of Mars. On that date in 1965, the Mariner 4 spacecraft sent back the first close-ups of the Red Planet. Only 22 images were taken by the spacecraft.

NASA TV will be streaming 30-minute New Horizons mission updates once a week in June and then provide daily updates beginning July 7th. Below is a schedule of NASA TV programming surrounding the New Horizons fly-by of the Pluto system.

Share this historic event with your patrons!



Programming guides for the New Horizons encounter with the Pluto system are now available on LPI's Look Up! website.

http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look_up/

You can access the guide for libraries here:

http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look_up/new_horizons/New_Horizons_Libraries_002.pdf

(Also Attached to this newsletter)

For more information about New Horizons, visit the mission's website at <http://pluto.jhuapl.edu/>.

New Horizons Flyby of Pluto July 14th: Programming on NASA TV

(also streamed on Internet)

All Times Eastern Daylight

30-MINUTE MISSION UPDATES (time of day to be determined): Weekly pre-flyby mission updates on June 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; these will be carried live on NASA Television and the Web. NASA TV will also televise daily updates from APL, beginning Tuesday, July 7.

July 14: COUNTDOWN TO CLOSE ENCOUNTER: The final pre-flyby images of Pluto taken July 13 will be unveiled during a special broadcast from 7:30-8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14, to mark the moment New Horizons makes its closest approach to Pluto at 7:49 a.m. EDT.

07:30 – 08:15 am Live NASA TV Broadcast

Topic: “Closest Approach” (7:49AM) using Eyes on the Solar System, and revealing the 11:07 p.m. 3.9 km/pix image of Pluto from 13 July

July 14: ‘PHONE HOME’: During the busiest hours of the flyby on July 13-14 –including close approach – the New Horizons spacecraft will be out of contact with the Mission Operations Center. A second program from 8 – 9:15 p.m. on July 14 will cover mission operations as the team awaits a signal from the spacecraft indicating its health and that contact has resumed.

8 pm – 9:15 pm Live Event

Event: Live NASA TV Broadcast – Moderated By Mike Buckley (APL PAO) to include The Year of Pluto movie; Topic: Live S/C health status; On Camera: produced and scripted event with live interviews and also canned video segments. Will include image sequence from 1 May until now to show right after the spacecraft’s “I survived” chirp.

July 15: CLOSE-UP IMAGES: The first post-flyby close-up images of Pluto and its moons are scheduled to be released at various times on Wednesday, July 15.

Summer Food Program Library Participants

Augusta County Library

Participating with Hugh K. Cassell Elementary - serving a meal
Country Estates - serving a meal

Craigsville Library Station - Craigsville VA - serving a meal

Blue Ridge Regional Library

Bassett Branch - Bassett VA - serving a meal

Collinsville Branch - Collinsville VA - serving a meal

Martinsville Branch - Martinsville VA - serving a snack

Ridgeway Branch - Ridgeway VA - serving a meal

Caroline Library Inc.

Bowling Green - Milford VA

Dawn Branch - Hanover VA

Port Royal - Port Royal VA

Charles P. Memorial Library

Charles P. Memorial Library, Covington VA - serving a meal

Hampton Public Library

Main Library, Hampton VA - serving a meal

Loudoun County Public Library

Sterling Library - Sterling VA - serving a snack

Pamunkey Regional Library

King & Queen Branch Library - St Stephens Church VA

Mechanicsville Branch Library - Mechanicsville VA

Roanoke Public Library

Gainsboro Library - Roanoke VA - serving a meal

Jackson Park Library - Roanoke VA - serving a meal

Main Library - Roanoke VA - serving a meal

Melrose Library, Roanoke VA - serving a meal

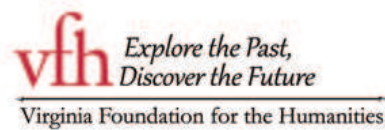
Williamson Road Library, Roanoke VA - serving a meal

Southside Regional Library

Boydton Library - Boydton VA - serving a meal

Waynesboro Public Library

Waynesboro Public Library - Waynesboro VA - serving a snack



Announcing the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative

In anticipation of the 400th anniversary of William Shakespeare's death in April 1616, **Virginia Foundation for the Humanities (VFH)**, **Virginia Commission for the Arts (VCA)**, **Washington and Lee University (W&L)**, and the **American Shakespeare Center (ASC)** announce the launch of the **Virginia Shakespeare Initiative**, a statewide celebration of Shakespeare that will take place from September 2015 until December 2016.

The goals of the initiative are:

- To inspire and promote Shakespeare programs among Virginia educational and cultural institutions,
- To collect information about the many Shakespeare-related events planned across the state, and
- To publicize those events through a variety of media, including a website and online calendar.

To be developed by VFH, the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative website and online calendar will launch in late summer 2015 and serve as a portal for information about Shakespeare programming throughout the initiative.

Organizations and individuals across the state are enthusiastically invited to participate by developing programs occurring between September 2015 and December 2016 that will explore and commemorate Shakespeare's genius and impact. Schools and colleges, libraries, museums, and professional and amateur theater and music groups are especially encouraged to participate. Among the notable events already planned are an exhibition of a Shakespeare First Folio at the University of Virginia, the Blackfriars Conference at the American Shakespeare Center, and a weeklong residency by Actors from the London Stage at W&L.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- **Tell us about your planned Shakespeare programs.** As exhibits, performances, lectures, publications, readings, and other programs are developed, please tell the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative about your ideas and plans. Event details, even preliminary or tentative, can be submitted using the online form here: <http://VirginiaHumanities.org/Shakespeare>.

VFH will use this online form to gather information in preparation for the launch of the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative website and calendar. VFH staff may contact you for more details about your plans.

- **Sign up to receive email announcements about the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative.** To stay informed about the initiative, including the launch of the website and calendar, please sign up here: <http://VirginiaHumanities.org/Shakespeare>.



Chandos Portrait of William Shakespeare, circa 1610-16

If you have questions about the Virginia Shakespeare Initiative, please contact Maggie Guggenheimer, VFH assistant to the president and communications officer, at mguggenheimer@virginia.edu or 434-924-6562.

2015 Home Safety Awareness Optional Activities



Home Safety Awareness Month: June 2015

Main Resource Page for Home Safety Awareness:

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/ofhs/prevention>

- **Resources**

- **Poison Control Center**-Call **1-800-222-1222** – Regional Poison Control Center will provide you with refrigerator magnets, phone tags, videos for children and posters on **Medication Safety**
- **Safe Kids:** Home Safety Activity Book (English) - Engage kids in a game of “Simon Says” or connect the dots with this fun activity book about home safety, which is good for all ages.
- **Safe Kids:** Home Safety Activity Book (Spanish/ En Español)
- **Safe Kids:** Fire Sequence Game - This game uses fun pictures and words to teach young children about smoke alarms and how to escape a fire.
- **Safe Kids:** Fire Safety Coloring Book - Help kids learn about fire safety with this great coloring book.
- **CPSC:** <http://www.poolsafely.gov/parents-families/for-kids/> -The *Pool Safely* information and education campaign makes it simple to connect and share useful information about pool and spa safety that could save a life.
- **CPSC:** View the Top 5 Hidden Home Hazards Poster - See the five most common hazards in the home that you might not have thought about
- **CPSC:** View the Top 5 Hidden Home Hazards Poster in Spanish - See the five most common hazards in the home that you might not have thought about
- **CPSC:** View the Window Coverings Poster - Kids and cords on window coverings don't mix. Go cordless.
- **CPSC:** View the Window Coverings Poster in Spanish -Kids and cords on window coverings don't mix. Go cordless.
- **CPSC:** View the Window Falls Safety Poster- Window screens keep bugs out but won't keep kids in.
- **CPSC:** View the Window Falls Safety Poster Spanish- Window screens keep bugs out but won't keep kids in.

Optional Activities

- **Reading Day**
 - **Coordinate a reading time and presentation**

- **Reading Resources**
 - Weber, Rebecca. *Safety Basics*. (2012). ISBN-10: 1429679050
 - Schulz, Kathy. *Always Be Safe*. (2003). ISBN 0516225944
 - Brown, Marc and Krensky, Stephen. *Dinosaurs, Beware! : A safety guide*. (2009). ISBN-10: 1439598789
 - Raymer, Dottie. *Staying Home Alone: A Girl's Guide to Staying Safe and Having Fun*. (2002). ISBN-10: 1584855061
- **Shelf Display**
 - Safe Kids Prevention Poster
 - Safety Pledge
 - Coloring Contest

Additional Resources

- **Text for Baby** <https://www.text4baby.org/>
 - Tear Pads
- **Safe Kids Worldwide:** www.safekids.org/home-safety-educators
 - Fact Sheets
 - Safe Kids Flyer
 - Infographics
- **Consumer Product Safety Commission:** www.cpsc.gov/en/Safety-Education/Safety-Guides/Home/
 - Free safety alerts
 - Free safety guides
- **National Safety Council:** <http://www.nsc.org/learn/safety-knowledge/Pages/safety-at-home.aspx> Tools and resources for home and recreational safety

Libraries' Guide to Solar System Exploration: *The New Horizons Mission at the Pluto System*

Explore Dwarf Planets and the Solar System in Your Library!

Use the resources below to create a program for your patrons to explore the solar system, including dwarf planets. Search for books in your collection about dwarf planets and/or space exploration. Create a solar system exploration program that fits your library's schedule and needs. Consider fitting solar system exploration into your ongoing programming – lectures for inquisitive adults, family programs, and children's programming. Perhaps design a week-long investigation into the solar system with hands-on activities, demonstrations, and video clips, presentations by solar system researchers from local colleges or universities, and a culminating night-sky viewing event. Alternatively, facilitate an activity for your young patrons to celebrate the New Horizons mission's encounter with the Pluto system and then encourage them to follow the news and explore more on their own!

Why Explore the Solar System?

Interest in the stars and planets has been both a common and consistent characteristic of humanity. We are driven to explore what we don't know, discover new things, push the boundaries of our limits, and beyond. For now, humans must stay close to Earth when exploring space. Until the day humans can routinely visit other planets, we must rely on robotic spacecraft to be our eyes throughout the solar system. Exploring the solar system is not easy and individual missions do not last forever. At some point, all missions must come to an end. However, in the human spirit of exploration, we should always look forward, ready to explore farther.

Exploring the Pluto System with New Horizons

The New Horizons mission will help us understand worlds at the edge of our solar system by performing the first exploration of Pluto and by venturing deeper into the distant, mysterious Kuiper Belt – a relic of solar system formation. Pluto, along with other Kuiper Belt objects and the larger asteroids, is classified as a dwarf planet. More recently, it has been more specifically classified as an ice dwarf. New Horizons launched on January 19, 2006. It will arrive at the Pluto system and conduct a five-month-long study of Pluto and its moons beginning July 14, 2015. As part of an extended mission, the spacecraft is expected to head farther into the Kuiper Belt to examine one or two of the ancient, icy mini-worlds in that vast region, at least a billion miles beyond Neptune's orbit.

Upcoming Events

Find information and resources about upcoming celestial events and NASA mission milestones to share with your patrons at http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look_up.

http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look_up

unofficial exploration





@NASASolarSystem
@NewHorizons2015

Night Sky Viewing Events

Consider holding a night sky viewing at your library! Viewing planets through telescopes will give your patrons a personal connection with the very same objects being visited by spacecraft. Ask your local astronomical society to bring their telescopes for a viewing. Use the links below to locate a local astronomy club and/or speaker.

Night Sky Network

<http://nightsky.jpl.nasa.gov/clubs-and-events.cfm>

The Night Sky Network is a nationwide coalition of amateur astronomy clubs bringing the science, technology, and inspiration of NASA's missions to the general public.

NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassadors

<http://www2.jpl.nasa.gov/ambassador/directory.htm>

Solar System Ambassadors is a nationwide program consisting of volunteers who communicate the excitement of NASA/JPL's space exploration missions and information about recent discoveries to people in their local communities.

Websites

NASA's New Horizons Mission

http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/newhorizons/main/index.html

The New Horizons Mission at Johns Hopkins University

<http://pluto.jhuapl.edu/>

Pluto: An Overview

<http://solarsystem.nasa.gov/planets/profile.cfm?Object=Pluto>

Peculiar Pluto

<http://spaceplace.nasa.gov/ice-dwarf/en/>

Dwarf Planets: An Overview

<http://solarsystem.nasa.gov/planets/profile.cfm?Object=Dwarf>

What is a Planet?

<http://science.nasa.gov/planetary-science/planetary-science-multimedia-links/what-is-a-planet/>

NASA Solar System Exploration

<http://solarsystem.nasa.gov/index.cfm>

Eyes on the Solar System

<http://eyes.nasa.gov/index.html>

http://www.lpi.usra.edu/education/look_up

Explore the solar system with hands-on activities!

Strange New Planet

<http://marsed.asu.edu/strange-new-planet>

Grade Level(s): K-8

This activity is about the use of remote sensing in planetary exploration. Learners will find out how human curiosity in planetary exploration results in science questions, engineering solutions, and teamwork.

Other NASA educational activities for exploring the solar system can be found at <http://nasawavelength.org>.